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# RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

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Sir:

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1. COPY OF Notification to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures.

#### 2. TRANSMITTAL OF SEQUENCE LISTING INCLUDING:

- a. Statements Under 37 C.F.R. 1.821(f) and (g), including statement specifically directing entry of the sequence listing into the application.
- b. Paper Copy of the Sequence Listing (285 pages).
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- 3. RETURN RECEIPT POSTCARD.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication and which may be required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 03-1664.

Respectfully submitted,

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# NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE **DISCLOSURES**

Applicant must file the items indicated below within the time period set the Office action to which the Notice

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The communication filed on 6-7-07 is not fully responsive for the reason(s) set forth herein.

Since the response appears to be <u>bona fide</u>, but through an apparent oversight or inadvertence failed to provide a complete response, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to the examiner, Patricia A. Duffy, Ph.D., Technology Center 1600, Group 1640, Art Unit 1645, whose telephone number is (571) 272-0855. The examiner can normally be reached on weekdays from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. If unable to reach the examiner, Shanon Foley, SPE, can be contacted at (571) 272-0898.

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Primary Examiner